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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Honorable Robert S. McNamara
The Secretary of Defense

SUBJECT : Mr. Allen's Summary Report

For your information I am forwarding Mr. George W. Allen's summary report on his recent trip to Vietnam to explain the grid concept for measuring the status of pacification and Revolutionary Development activity. This report describes the pilot testing program through which the Washington-developed initial concept was tried out under actual field conditions, the way the concept was discussed and coordinated with the U.S. Mission, the modifications made in the concept as a result of this testing and coordination process, the formal adoption of the modified concept by the Mission Council on 13 December, and the procedures by which it is to be implemented on a nation-wide basis as of 1 January 1967. Mr. Allen also reports on the results of his visit to Bangkok to explain the Vietnam pacification measurement technique to the U.S. Mission in Thailand.

As you are aware, Mr. Allen was accompanied and assisted in this venture by Colonel Carter W. Clarke, Jr., an officer on the staff of DCSOPS, Department of the Army, who served as a Department of

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Defense representative in this exercise. Mr. Allen advises that without Colonel Clarke's enthusiastic and imaginative assistance it would have been impossible to complete this task so successfully and in such a short period of time. I would appreciate it if you could ensure that Colonel Clarke is extended our thanks for and commendation on his fine performance.

/S/ Rufus Taylor

Rufus Taylor
Vice Admiral, U.S. Navy
Acting Director of Central Intelligence

cc: Under Secretary Katzenbach
Mr. Rostow ✓
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